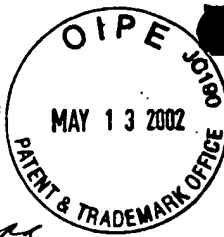


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**BLANKET PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND
AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE OR CREDIT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

If a paper is untimely filed in this application or any continuation or divisional application derived therefrom by applicants or their representative, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for the minimum extension of time required to make said paper timely. In the event a petition for extension of time is made under the provisions of this paragraph, the Commissioner is hereby requested to charge any fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(a)-(d) to Deposit Account No. 18-0580. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee. **A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.**

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